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This two volume report is the travelogue that P. H. Dorsett wrote during this expedition to the Caribbean Islands and Guianas on board *Utowana*. This file only contains those pages (648-650, 654-670) pertinent to the short visit that this expedition made to Haiti (March 26-28). This was the first expedition of David Fairchild to Haiti. Pages 651-653 have an envelop with newspaper clips inside (page 651) and mounted photographs (pages 652-653) that were not taken in Haiti.

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Wednesday March 23, 1932.

We weighed anchor at 12 midnight and headed out to sea from the island of Beata, en route for Guantanamo on Guantanamo Bay near the southwestern extremity of the island of Cuba. Where we anchor long enough to tank up with fuel oil for the run to Florida and on to Washington and New York,

The ocean has been rather calm throughout the day and the entire exploration force have kept pretty constantly at their work. As a result of this we accomplished a lot and tonight things are pretty well straightened out and in pretty good shape.

About 11 o'clock this morning there was considerable commotion on deck. we went up to learn what it was all about and found Mr. Armour and the ladies were lookin from the starboard deck to some whales quite a distance away. The whales were spouting but the colums of water were not very high or very spectacular.

Thursday March 24, 1932.

We arrived in the Bay of Guantanamo about 9. this morning and about 10 A. M. was at the dock and arrangements practically completed for tanking up with fuel oil. We understand this will require the best part of the day.

Toy and Loomis went ashore to do a little exploring. The remainder of the party stayed aboard and began to get things in shape for our landing in Miami about the last of the month or first of April.

There is a possibility that we will call at Cape Haitian, Haiti before going on North. If this stop is made it will be primarially for the purpose of giving the exploration party a chance to visit and see the ruins of King Henri Christophe's castle of Sans Souci at Millot a few miles out of Cape Haitien and also the ruins of the citadel at La Ferriere on the top of the mountain Le Bonnet, a l'Eveque. We did not get out today but will sometime tomorrow.

Friday March 25, 1932.

Messrs Loomis and Toy went for a short exploration trip, Dr. Fairchild and Dorsett remained aboard and worked with plant material, notes and pictures, Dorsett is preparing a condensed report giving the important details of the accomplishments of the Expedition. He hopes to have this in shape to hand to Mr. Ryerson by the time we get back to Washington.

We are getting our work pretty well rounded up and unless we are successful in getting quite a quantity of new plant material at Cape Haitien and, Mariguana and Nassa we will have every thing in ship shape by the time we arrive in Miami.

Messrs Loomis and Toy returned for lunch with a new cotton and a new palm and a few other things of more or less interest.

About 2,00 P. M. we pulled away from the dock at Guantanamo and headed Eastward en route for Cape Haitien, Haiti our next stop, where we are due some time tomorrow morning.

Saturday March 26, 1932.

It was about 10 o'clock when we pulled into the harbor of Cape Haitien and dropped anchor a short distance off shore.

All of the exploration, with the exception of Dorsett went ashore and visited the market and other places of interest. Dorsett remained to work on the special report which he is trying to get in shape for the arrival of the yacht in Washington early in April.

After lunch Mr. F. C. Baker, at one time employed by the Department of Agriculture, and well known to Mr. Loomis, and who flew up from Port Au Prince, this morning to see us, returned with Mr. Armour and the remainder of the party and remained with us for lunch.

After lunch Mr. Baker drove Dr. Fairchild, Loomis, Toy and Dorsett out to the Department of Agriculture rubber experiment station, which at one time was operated under the direction of Dr. O. F. Cook of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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The Experiment Station is out some 25 miles or such a matter from Cape Haitien. On account of the depression and other complications work at the station, especially in so far as the United States is concerned, has practically stopped.

The planting of some 200 rubber trees at the station are for the most part under planted to Cacao. The station is pretty well run down and its condition does not look to be very promising.

On the way out to the Experiment Station we stopped long enough in a small native village, where several hundred natives were assembled to see a regular Haitien Cock Fight. It proved to be a bloody affair and while the owners of the birds and the assembled natives who crowded about in a ring appear-to be in their glory, I (Dorsett) did not get much of a kick out of the exhibition and doubt if such a show will ever become ~~ver~~ a fad or be very popular in the United States.

We all returned to the yacht for lunch and Mr. Armour invited Mr. Baker to remain aboard over night which he did. Mr. Baker proved himself to be a good talker and entertained the entire crowd on deck until quite late in the evening telling of his many interesting observations and experiences during the 19 years he has spent in Haiti.

Tomorrow Mr. Baker will accompany the croud, with the exception of Mr. Armour to see the rewins of both the Castle and the Citadel of the negro King Henri Christophe.

Such of the pictures made today as are worth while follow.

Negative # 58282. Sea and Landscape
a panoramic view taken from the deck of the
yacht Utowana, while at anchor in the city of Cape
Haitien on the North Coast of Haiti. The view shows
a portion of the Harbor and the city of Cape Haitien. It
also shows quite a stretch of the surrounding country.

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Sunday, March 27, 1932.

There was no need for a rising gong this morning for by 6 o'clock or a little before every one was on deck and ready for breakfast. All is excitement and there was no loitering at the breakfast table, for as it were, every one is chafing at the bit to get through and get going. Mr. Armour is the only one who is at all composed and even he, I, (Dorsett) think is more or less excited and nervous, this however, may be due to the fact that he is anxious to see us off so that he may enjoy a peaceful and quiet day aboard. -

Mr. Armour as has been his practice, ever since the Utowana pulled out of Miami, Florida, December 29, 1931 with the Agricultural Expedition aboard, planned, arranged all the details for and personally paid all the expenses incident to this trip. Mr. Armour merits and we extend to him our most sincere thanks and hearty appreciation for all that he has done for our personal pleasure and enjoyment. May he live long, be exceedingly happy and prosperous, I am sure is the sincere wish of each and every one of the party.

At about 7.30 , in company with Mr. Fred C. Baker we took our departure from the yacht, enroute for a day real enjoyment, pleasure and wonderfull experiences. In Cape Haitien we boarded motor cars for the 25 or 30 mile ride to Police Headquarters in the village of Millot in the foothills and adjacent to the castle ruins.

Something like a hour or more was consumed in getting mounts and things for the three or four hours mountain climb to the Citadel rewins on the top of Mount Le Bonnet a l'Ferriere, the highest point of the range of mountains overlooking Cape Haitien.

Our first stop was at Sans Souci at the base of the mountains and only a short distance from the Police station in the village of Millot. Here are the ruins of the castle where Christophe the negro and former slave, styled King Henry 1, held his court. Here he was surrounded by the nobility he created with such pompous names as titles as His Sirene Highness the Prince du Limbe, His Excellency the Count de la Tasse, the Duke of Marmalade, and the Duke of Limonade. The Castle is now, practically in complete ruins for only the outer walls are standing

From Sans Souci we climbed on foot and on horseback for some three hours or more along the trail, exploring as we went. It was hot and the climb, although

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interesting, was also quite tiresome.

The highest point on the mountain range, where the Citadel stands is some 3,000 feet above sea level. The Citadel is of great magnitude, and in many ways realy most remarkable. At their highest point the walls must be several hundred feet in height and are from 3 to 4 feet in thickness. The structor is of brick and mortor. The central portion of the building is 6 stories in height and on every floor is a row of port-holes and in many instances in front of them are large mounted cannon and back and in many instance cannon balls are piled or scattered about the place. The cannon balls look to be about 6" in diameter. At the outside, I believe on the southern exposure there is several long rows of mortors and cannon balls, 4 to 6 feet in height. There must be thousands of them.

We collected quite a nice lot of interesting plant material along the trail on the way up and from the top of the rewins some interesting ground orchids and other plants.

These ruins impress me, Dorsett, as being simbolic of the selfish fancy and false desire to emulate royalty. In this connection one may say with Shakspere, "Man vain man dressed in a little brief authority cuts such fantastic tricks before high heaven as to make the Angels weep"

It was supper time when we got aboard and every one was foot sore, saddle sore and pretty tired. However it was a most wonderful day and an experience I, Dorsett, feel sure that not a single one of us would have cared to miss.

Three cheers, long and loud for the good SKIPPER of the Yacht Utowana. May he live long and prosper.

Such of the pictures made today, and there was a good many of them, as are worth while follow.

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Negative #58283, Landscape.

A view from near the Police Station in the village of Millot looking over a portion of the village to the mountains. In the centre of the picture and fairly well back near the base of the mountains are the ruins of Christoph's Castle. This is a glorious setting and in its day this must have been a scene of splendor.

Negative #58284, Landscape.

This view is very similar to the preceeding but it was taken from not so far back and gives a little better idea of the ruins of the Castle.

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Negative #58285, Landscape.
A fairly nearby view of a portion of Christophe's Castle ruins at Sans Souci.

Negative #58286, Landscape. A nearby view showing one side of the ruins of Christope's Palace, Sans Souci. Those old birds must have been gay fellows and they were surely extravagant and wasteful of both wealth and human life.

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Negative #58287, Landscape. This view was taken from a position near the ruins of the Palace of Sans Souci, Haiti, It shows something of the royal drive way and also beyon a portion of the village of Millot. These homes are for the most part covered with galvanized iron.

Negative #58288, Landscape. This picture was taken for the express purpose of the leaning door-frame and door at the extreme right of the picture. Perhaps this door was constructed for the early morning home-comer.

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Negative #58289, Undetermined, A nearby view showing a most peculiar and interesting flowering plant, known locally as "Mother Wasp"
It apparently is somewhat like the stinging nettles, See a closer view below.

Negative #58290, Undetermined. A close up view of a portion of the flower and seed spike of what is locally known as "Mother Wasp".

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The flowering and seeding plant shown in the 2 preceeding pictures is exceptionally spectacular, The white seed pods are borne on small pinkish colored stems and as a whole, in bright sunlight the plant is exceptionally handsome.

Negative #58291, Landscape. A native home among the bananas along the trail to the Citadel Note that the house is made of poles, without chinking and is grass thatched.

Negative #58292, Landscape. A rather distant view of King Henri Christophe's Citadel on the distant mountain top.

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Negative #58293, Landscape. This view t taken a little farther up the trail not only shows a portion of the trail but in the back ground a portion of the massive Citadel og the Negro King Henri Christophe.

Negative #58294, Landscape. View from along the trail several thousand feet from and well below the Citadel. Note that as shown it ~~pra~~ practically covers the entire top of the mountain.

Access to the top apparently is quite steep and rather difficult to ascend even on horse back.

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Negative #58295, Orchid Sp. A nearby view of bulbs and flowering stems of an undetermined orchid The flowers are deep purple or magenta in color.

These plants were collected on the roof of the Citadel. The bloom is exceptionally atractive.

Negative #58296, Landscape. A view out over the mountains from the top of the Citadel. I shows a little something of the character of the country.

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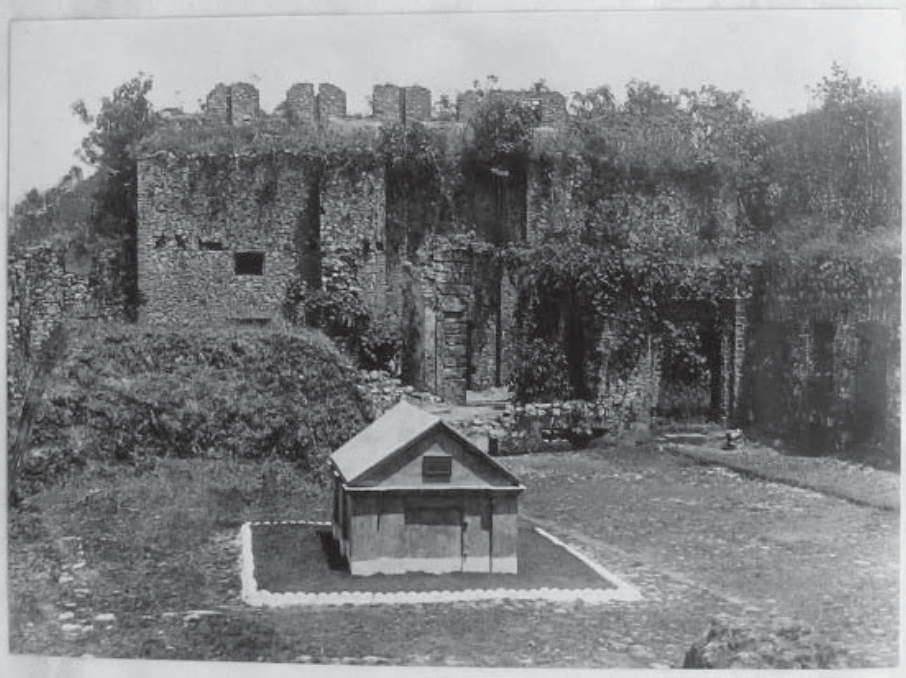
Negative #58297, Landscape. View nearby s showing a portion of one side of the Citadel in almost complet ruins



Negative #58298, Landscape. This view was taken from the top of the ruins at the West and looking in an easterly direction. In the foreground in the court or well in a small square surrounded by shells is the recently constructed tomb of Christophe.

The vine clad and overgrown ruins are artistic and exceptionally attractive.

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Negative #58299, Landscape. View along a pottion of one of the sides of the ruins of the Citadel from the top at one side.

Negative #58300, Landscape. This view shows an interesting and attractive portion of the ruins.

Remember that back of practicall every port-hole there is a mounted cannon. The command is good but the occupants could easily and quickly be starved out.

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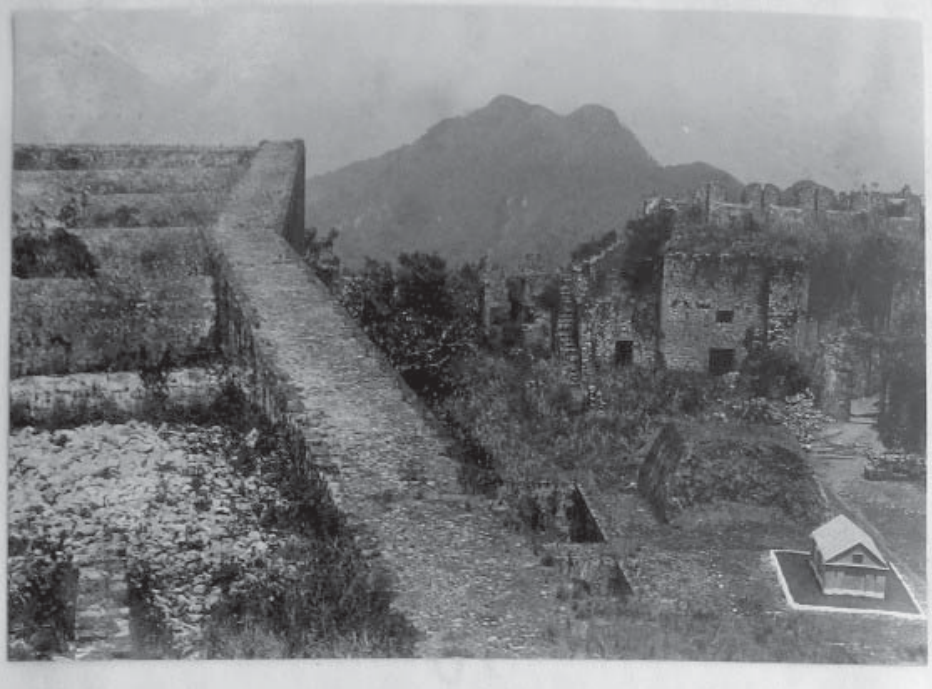

Negative #58301, Landscape. View along the top of one of the inner walls of the Citadel. To the right is the court and the newly constructed tomb and at the left a portion of the roof of a section of the building.

Negative #58302. Heckeria peltata. A nearby of this large leafed plant growing in one of the fallen in corridors of the Citadel ruins.

Dr. Fairchild said that this species is growing at his home place in Coconut grove.

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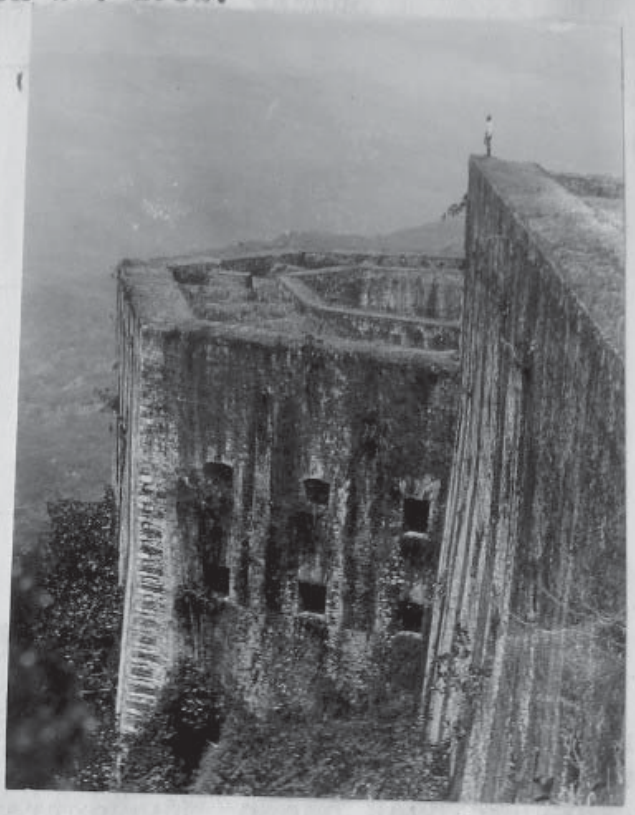

Negative #58303, Landscape. A view from the top of one section of the ruins looking over a portion of another portion and along the side of a northern wall. Mr. L. R. Toy is standing near the corner of the higher wall.

Negative #58304, Landscape. A view of a portion of the eastern side of the ruins. Mr. Toy is standing on a bridge across a moat. He is near an entrance.

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Negative #58305 Landscape. View of a portion of the easterly and southeasterly side of the Citadel rewins. In the foreground are our mounts and farther back one of the entrances to the Citadel.

Negative #58306. Cannon and Mortar Balls. View of a portion of one of two piles of shells for mortars and cannons. These are to the South and just outside of the rewins. The piles are each about 8'wide and 50 or more feet in length and are 4 feet high at the center.

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Negative #58307, Landscape. View of natives along the trail with oranges and bananas for sale.

Negative #58308, Philodendron tripartium. View of a strong growing large leaved vine, which reaches well up among the branches of a large fig tree.

Monday March 28, 1932.

We left our anchorage in the harbor of Cape Haittien, Haiti at one o'clock en rout for the Island of Mariguana some 150 miles distant to the northwest where we are due to arrive en the early morning.

We devoted the afternoon and evening to working with our pictures, herbarium specimens and other plant material and have things in pretty good shape.

Tuesday March 29, 1932,

We pulled into sight of the low, long, narrow strip of land before 6 this morning and as there was no dock or landing of any description in sight, with lead and line felt our way to within about a quarter of a mile of shore and dropped anchor.

This is for the most part a long, low narrow strip of rocky and sandy land, 2 to 6 miles in width and some 24 miles in length. Here and there along the coast are occasional hills, none of which exceed 300 feet in height.

We cast anchor at Abraham Bay, on the southern side of the island and pretty well toward the northern end.

After breakfast we delayed for a while our going ashore for the passing of a squall coming in from the North.

On landing we found the island very rocky and the bush scrubby and somewhat scattered and varying with the soil from little to considerable.

We found scattered here and there small specimens of Cocothrinax Palms and occasionally find a fair amount of good seed. With this exception there does not appear to be anything of very great interest or value to collect.

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1933 — March 9th Thursday — Kingston Jamaica.

Wilson Popenoe is expected in this morning for a conference on the future plans of the expedition. He has been to New York + Boston + got back here while we have been cruising in the Bahamas + Haitian waters.

So far I've not found time to write up our Haitian + Jamaica experiences.

From Great Inagua we went to Port au Prince Haiti. when Norman Armour was Minister and the days spent in Haiti were lucky. First came the Carnival which we saw at its height from the grand stand — Then a trip with C.F. Baker to Beauscoff + his 6000 ft alt. place behind it. Then a visit to the Service Technique School at Damien to see H.D. Barker + his cotton work.

A conference in the Legation with Dr la Rue and one with Baker + Barker about the banana disease situation + the feasibility of growing fresh vegetables for sale in the Canal Zone.

I found in fruit in the Legation compound a new fruit (Lucuma dominquensis) that seems to be native to the island and is much like the Canistel. Clifton Adams who was down for the Geographic Society photographed

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it for me; It may cross with the Cuistel
Ilex to a new winter fruit for Florida.
I collected a pretty Agave that has
yellow flowers on long flower stem
A. brevispina on the way back from
Benscoff. with Baker. I found that
the radish had gone wild in the
high mountain valleys back of
Benscoff. at 6000 ft. altitude. It may
be an escape. A pretty wild begonia
was there along the trail too.
On March 3 we left Port au Prince for
Jeremie. a port on the lower peninsula
of Haiti. & in the morning Norman
Mira & I went ashore. It gave me a
good idea of the outlaws Haiti.
for Jeremie has little contact with
Port au Prince. It was richer with
a well ~~more~~ watered valley that once had
irrigation reservoirs along it. that
have now gone to pieces.
From Jeremie we came through to
Kingston, arriving Sunday morning March
5th with Norman & Mira on board.
Tom & I visited Hope Gardens alone
I had not recalled how dry it is
here in winter Only 50 inches of rainfall.

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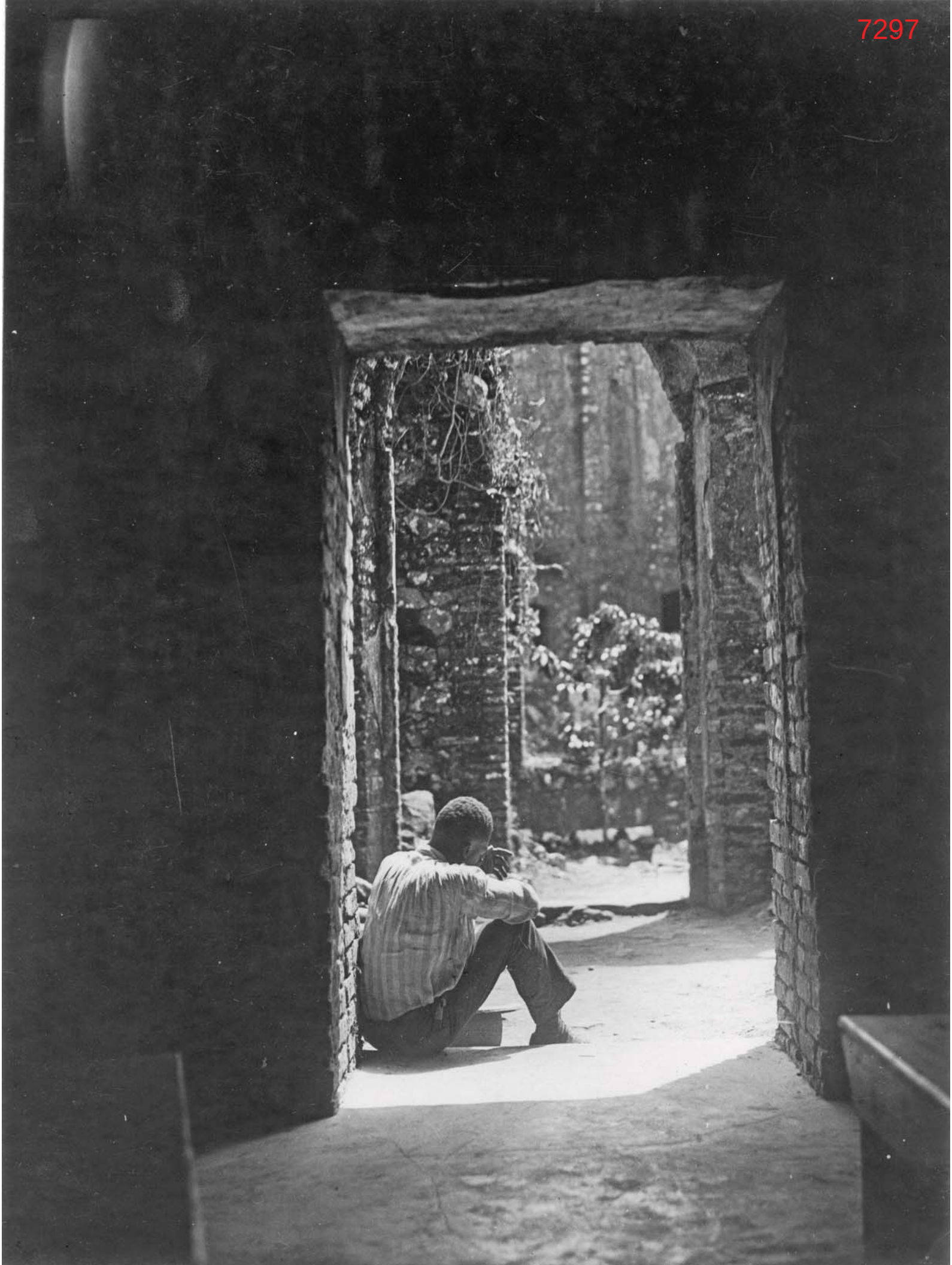

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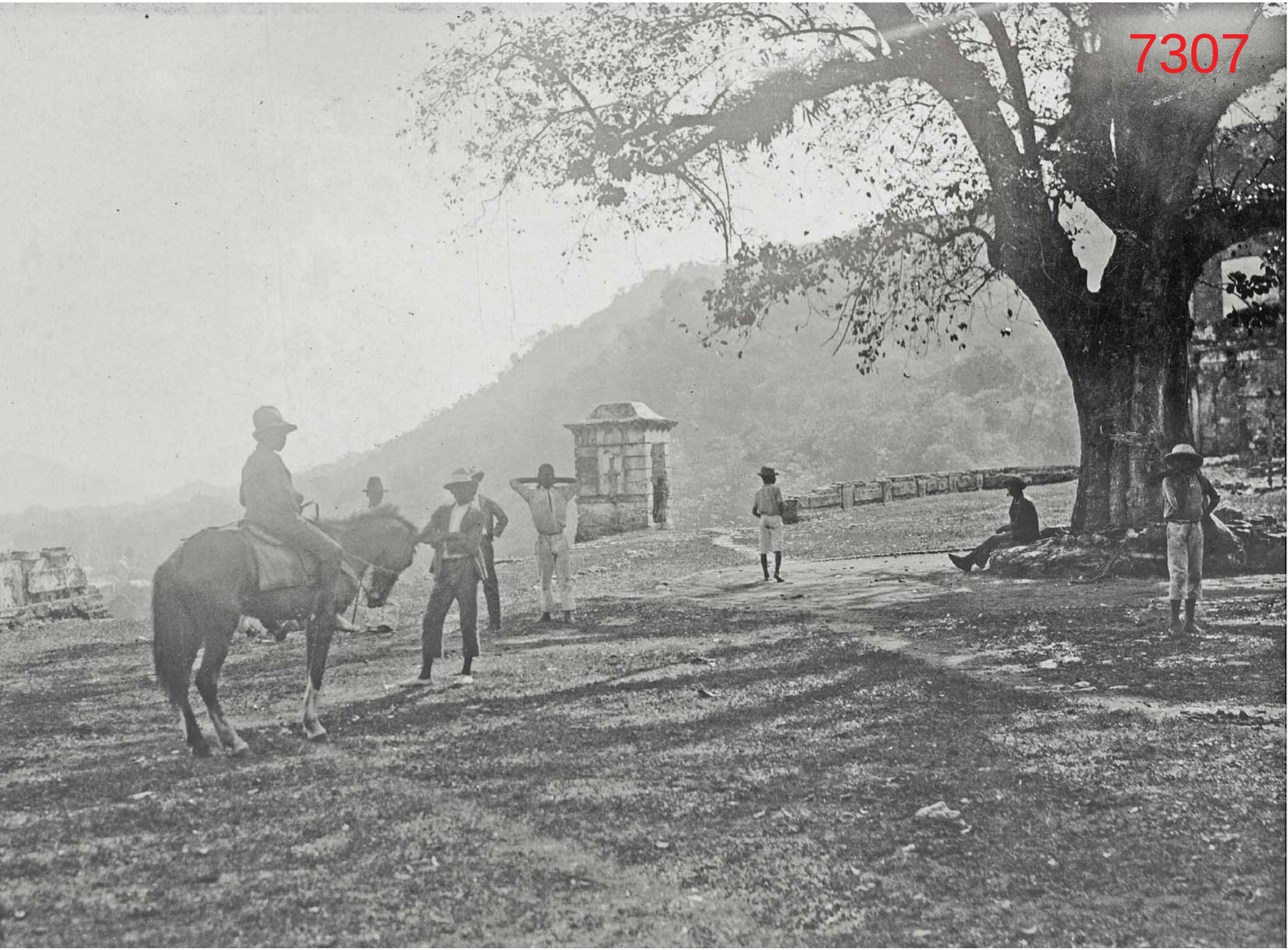
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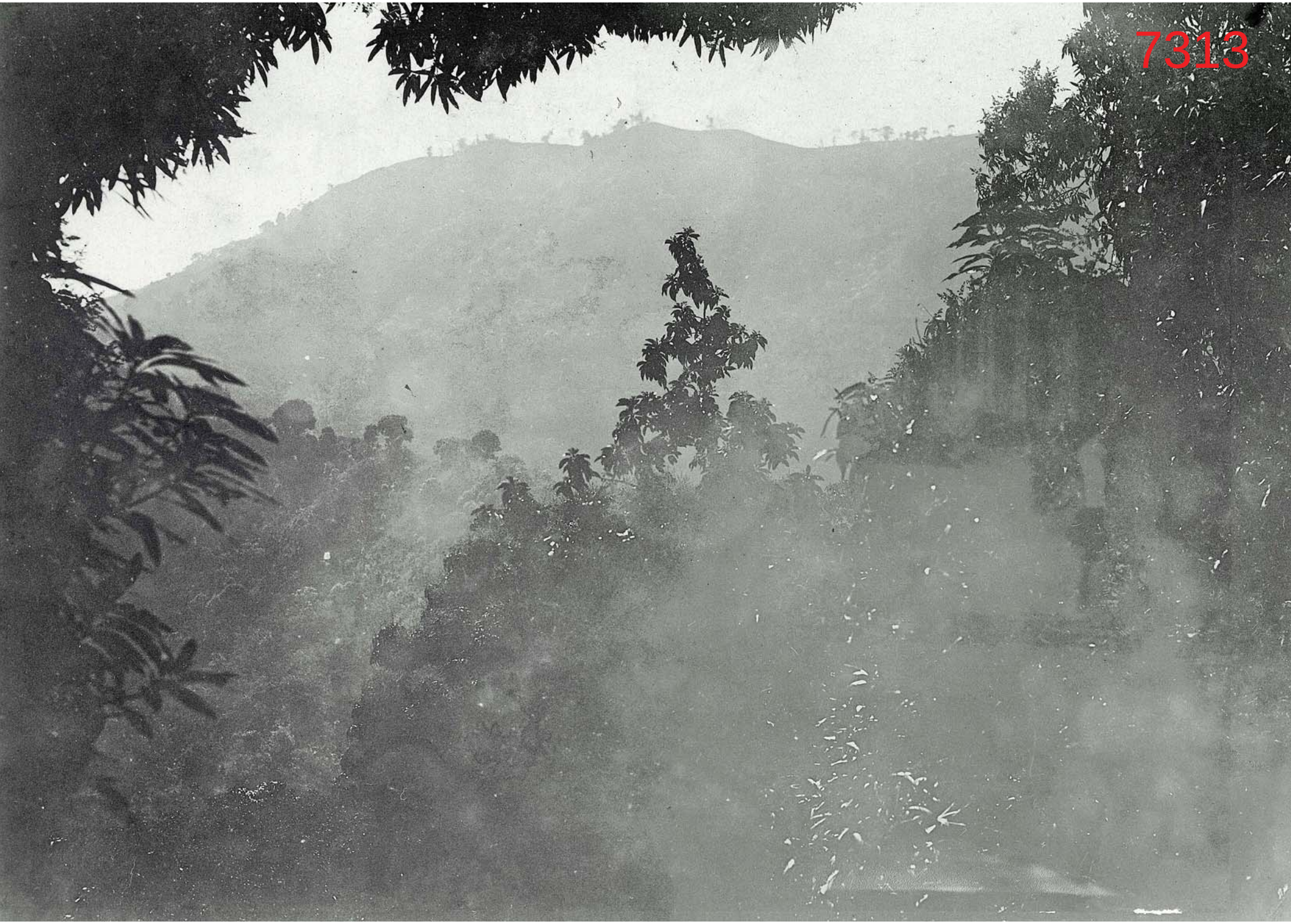
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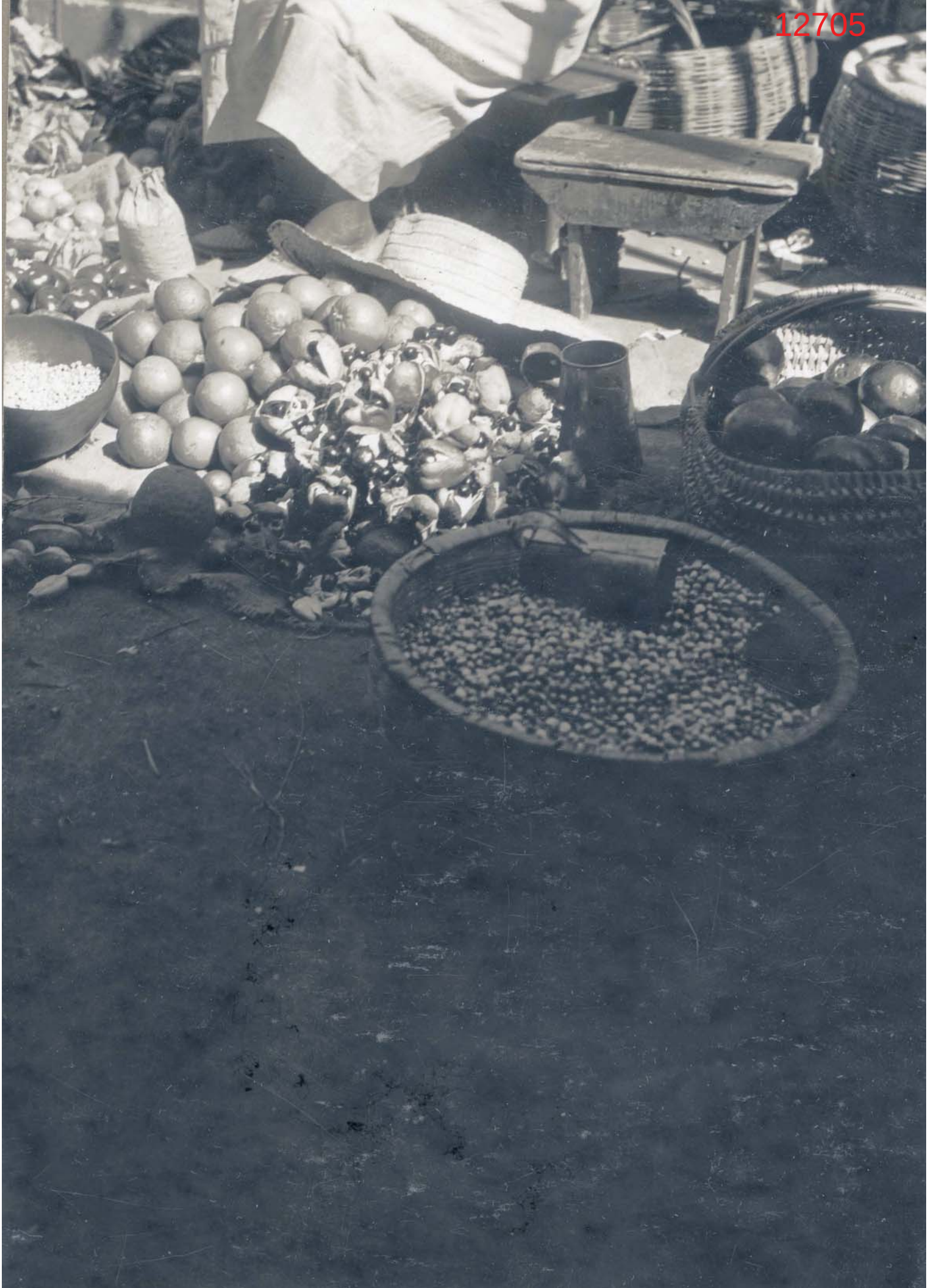

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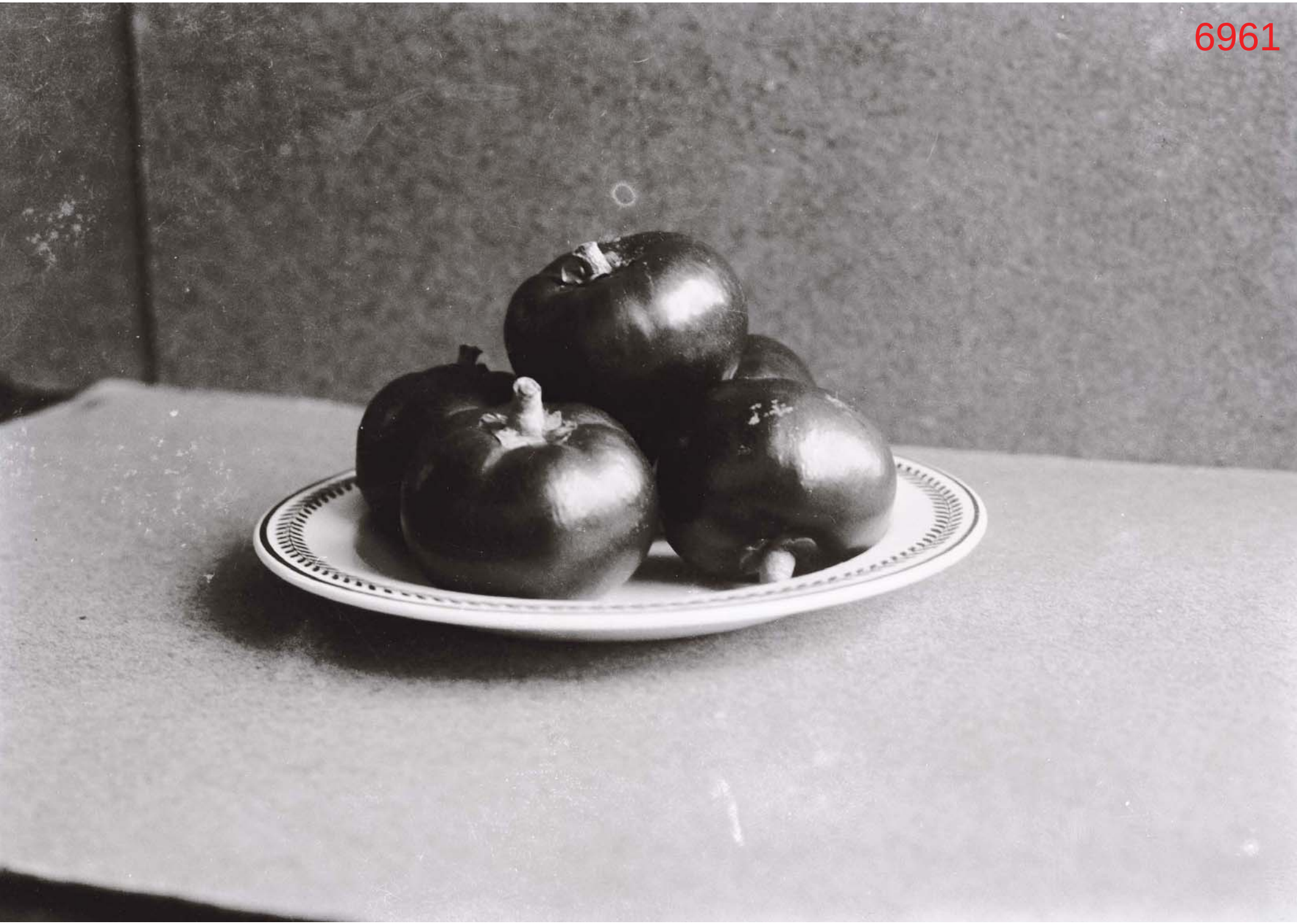
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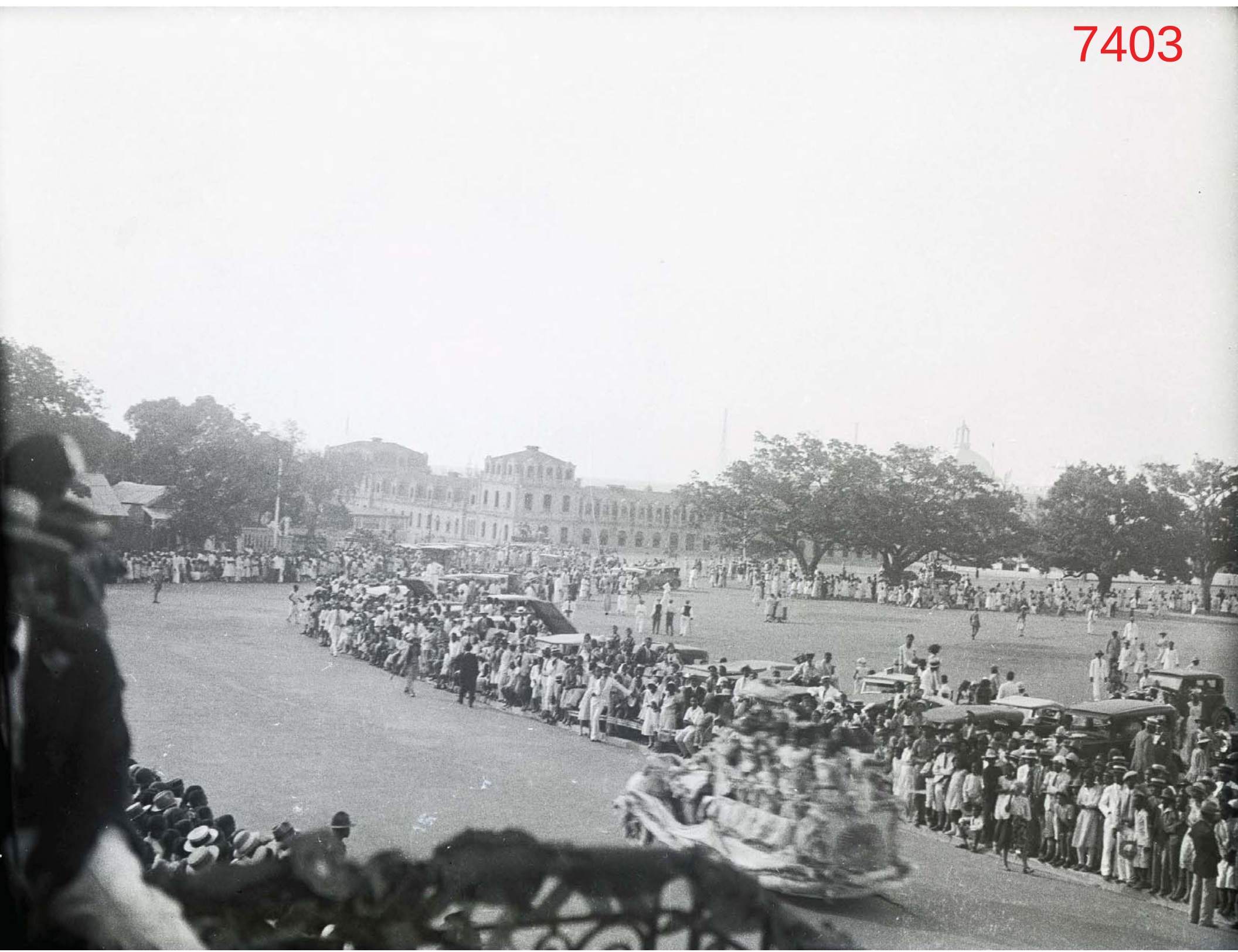

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A.V.A 3891 ROAD TO CITADEL
CAP HAÏTIEN
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12600-12 MOTHER WASP.
HAITI
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12600-3 BROMELIA PINGUIN HEDGE
A.V.A 3892 ROUTE TO CITADEL
CAP HAITIEN
HAITI
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12600-4 BROMELIA HEDGE
ROUTE TO CITADEL
CAP HAITIEN
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ROUTE TO CITADEL
CAP HAITIEN
HAITI

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18600 - 11 TRAIL TO CITADEL
DAISY IN FOREGROUND
CAP HAITIEN
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18600 -
MILLOT
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18600 -7 UNDER THE GREAT TREES BESIDE THE PALACE OF SANS-SOUCI WHERE CHRISTOPHER DIED
MILLOT
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18600-10 SANS. SOUCI.
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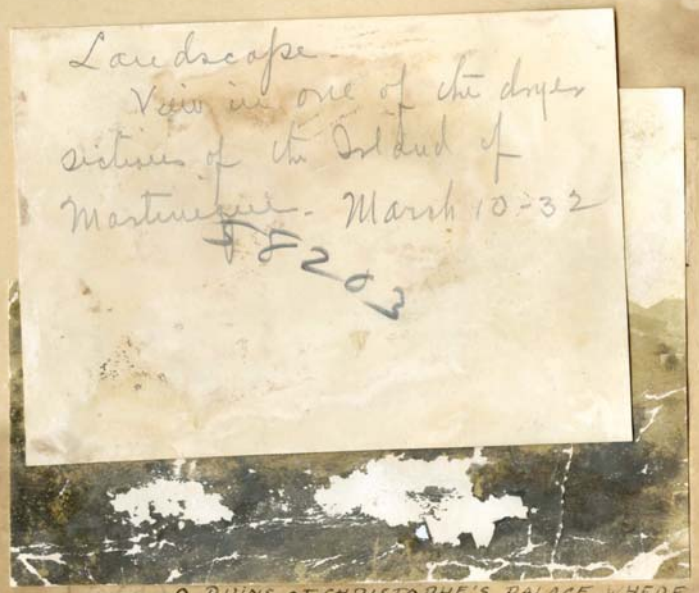

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View in one of the dryer
sections of the Island of
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18600-9 RUINS OF CHRISTOPHE'S PALACE WHERE
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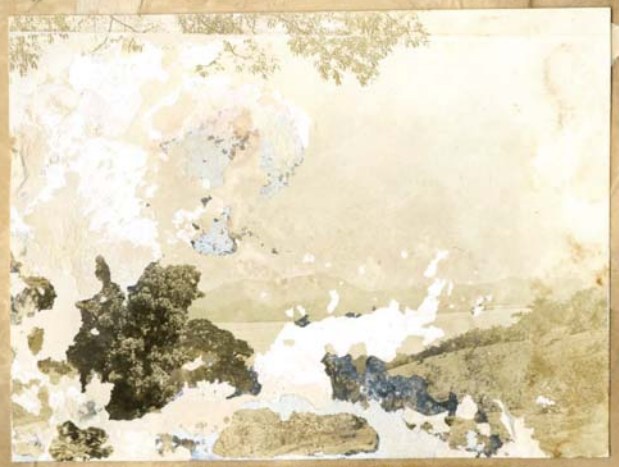

18600-12 SANS SOUCI PALACE ENTRANCE
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-5 WALL OF CITADEL
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-6 VIEW FROM WINDOW OF
CITADEL.
CAP HAITIEN
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-8 END OF TRAIL ARRIVES AT GATE OF
CITADEL.
CAP HAITIEN
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-7 OLD FRENCH NAVAL CANONS LEFT
IN COURT YARD OF CITADEL WHEN
CHRISTOPHE DIED.
CAP HAITIEN
HAITI
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18600A -3 FROM CHRISTOPHE'S BELLOWING HALL.
CITADEL
CAP HAITIEN
HAITI
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18600A-1 WEEPING ARCHES OF CITADEL
CAP HAITIEN
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18600A-2 WALLS OF THE CITADEL OVER GROWN WITH VEGETATION
CAP HAITIEN
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18600A-4 HECKERIA GROWS AS WEED IN CHRISTOPHES CITADEL
CAP HAITIEN
HAITI
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58302. HECKERIA PELTATA
PH.D. IN THE CITADELL.
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58290. NEAR BY VIEW OF A PLANT IN
PH.D. SEED KNOWN AS "MOTHER WASP"
TRAIL TO CITADEL
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HAITI 3.27.32.

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Scrapbook photos pertinent to the visit that David Fairchild made to Haiti in 1933 (February 28-March 4). This was the second expedition of David Fairchild to Haiti. Photos accessioned at the Archives and Library of Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, Miami, Florida.

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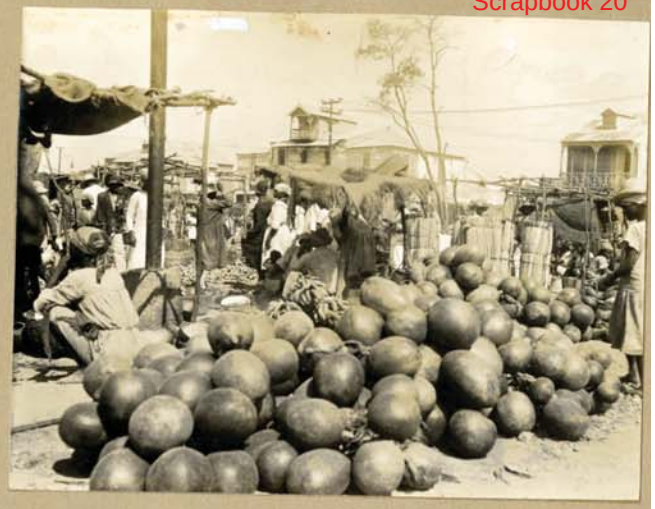

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~~Plants~~ Cutting in pot 3890

growing in Dct. Hom D.C
Jul, 14. 32

Begonia sp

A pretty dwarf species that I found growing on the perpendicular walls of the Citadel or Fortress of Haiti at 3000 ft elevation

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Its rootlets of stunted leaves were pressed against the lichen

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covered walls and made a very attractive show. I think this species would grow

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on rock work in South Florida and add a very attractive feature to our gardens

Haiti back of Cap Haitien 3/27 32

Please send small plant to DF

Scrophularaceae 3891

(ELSOTA) Virgata (Sw) Kuntze

Strikingly pretty vine-like shrub which at first reminded me of the white flowered Ritama bonei of Morocco but

its pink and orange flowers and winged seed that looks like the seed of a maple soon showed me that the plant

was not a legume. but a Polygalaceae. This would be extremely attractive as a tall shrub in borders. just as Ritama

has proven to be. Collected on the rather dry hillside on the route to the Citadel back of Cape Haitien Haiti 3/27/32

3892

Bromelia pinguin
Seen for plant which
formed part of a half
mile of hedge along
sugar cane & pineapple
fields leading to the Citadel

of Christophe back
of Cape Haitien, Haiti.
These seen are mainly
by Chapman Fields for product-

ion of plants for
a hedge there. Where
in flower this ~~sp~~ plant
is quite showy. It forms an

impenetrable ~~thorny~~
hedge but like all spiny
plants used as hedges is
the site of ~~to~~ convolvulus
and Ipomoea purpurea
morning glories. 3.27.32

98869. F.P.I. **3895**

Mimusops globosa The Balata Tree. Belongs to Sapotaceae and bears small round fruits eaten by children. It bears when tapped a gum related to gutta percha in character

In pots 6/30/32

which is used in the trade for coating cables and for other uses. These seeds were collected

from beneath the Balata trees in the Bayeux Plantation in W. Central Haiti under observation

ion & the Division of Rubber Plant Investigations. Seeds collected are for trial at Chapman Field Gardens & are of the tree we grow there. 3-26-32

3897

Orchid. Semiterrestrial species with handsome deep purple flowers on long stalked inflorescence found growing here there on the decayed walls of the Citadel the

Christopher built at 3000 feet altitude back of Cape Haitien Haiti. B Shafer,

Species that is perhaps in cultivation in America.
Call. 3.27.32

Orchid, Semiterrestrial.
v. nerv. sp. growing on the walls of the Citadel Christopher back of Cape Haitien Elev. 3000 ft Haiti

3.27.32.

P. H. Dorett
3898

Orchid, Semi terrestrial
Large leaved species, not
seen in flower. Grew
on the very edge of the
battlement of the Citadel
built by Christophe the
Negro "Emperor" of Haiti

100 years ago. It
is at an altitude of 1000
feet where in winter fogs
+ clouds bathe it in

almost continuous
coral moisture. In the
dry season it is subjected
to periods of pretty dry
weather. It may prove

valuable for
greenhouse culture
3. 27. 32

Plant pocket L.P. Tay
dry in box

3899

Bromelia (Tillandsia)

Pretty wire net leaved species. flowers not seen. Grows on the battlements of the Citadel ~~of~~ of Haiti

at 3000 ft. alt.
when coral moist
conditions prevail during

most of the year
but when in ~~summer~~ the
dry season the plants are
subjected to intense heat

& drouth.
3.27.32

Cuttings in box on deck

3900

Plumeria acutifolia ?

a very large ~~fr~~ flowered form of what I take is this species. Its very fragrant flowers borne in large clusters —

larger than any I remember seeing in Florida. It may be a particular large ~~to~~ flowered variety.

Cuttings presented by

~~Mr~~ C.F. Wood
American Vice Consul of
Cape Haitien, Haiti.
3.26.32

cuttings in box on deck 3901

Philodendron
tripartitum?

Hemisome trilobed leaves
aroid with rather thin
membranaceous leaves
of ~~light~~ dark green
color! found climbing
growing Det. Home D.C. II 681
July 14. 32

over rocks and the
trunks at 1000 to
1500 ft elevation on
the trail to the Citadel
behind Cap Haitien,
Haiti. A very
pretty species and
one suited to cultivation
the far south. 3.27.32

~~in the far South~~
Philodendron
tripartitum?
1000 ft Trail to Citadel
alt back of Cap Haitien
Haiti. 3.27.32

Cutting in pot
growing Jul 14. 32
Det. Hort
D.C ✓

3903

Peperomia sp.

A delicate small hairy species with character that may attract attention to it for hanging baskets and

for rock work in the South.
Collected from the

rocks along the trail to the Citadel in Haiti back of Cape Haitien
B. 27. 32

growing well
looks promising
C.A. Dec 21, 32

98851. 5/14/32 D. N. Dorsett 3904

Ficus sp

A striking tall buttressed ~~species~~ tree with leaves like F. altissima. found growing beside the trail at altitude 1000 ft

In Pat. 6/30/32 Chapman
4 pl. C.F. 12/24/32 Field

on the route to the Citadel of Christophe back of Cape Haitien

Haiti 3.27.32
fruits collected. no botanical specimen.

98868 5,1432 3906

Mammea americana The mammey apple. Although a common fruit in the West Indies and although a few trees of it exist in South Florida and attract attention through

the dark green foliage and tropical character of the tree itself. Very few have been planted

there. These few seeds are sent for planting out on Chapman Field where

the species is not represented. Picked up under a tree on the bay to the Citadel, Christoffel, near Cape Haitien Haiti 3.27.32

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Lucuma domingensis Gaert.

The "Jaune d'oeuf." a small ~~fruited~~ round fruited species resembling closely the Canistel in texture and flavor of its fruit. Perhaps a trifle more juicy and with more flavor.

SEED NOT POINTED BUT OVAL 1½ inch in diam

Seed collected from fruit that had fallen from a tall tree 50 ft tall standing in the American Legation Compound at Port au Prince Haiti

It is an indigenous species and appears ~~well~~ not to have attracted the attention of the American authorities. I do not find it described by Popenoe. but

there is a specimen of the species in the Herbarium at the Agricultural School. Distinct from L. sapotaria a smaller tree. Should be of value in Florida in development of New Varieties of Lucumas by crossing. March 1. 1933

3022

Agave brevifolia, Trel.
"Galatas" or "Croix des Bouquets"
A striking golden yellow flowered agave which was in flower on the rocky hillside from Kenscoff to Port au Prince. making a great show. Its leaves are edged with short spine set far apart — They are very broad and short and strikingly picturesque against the hillside. is their rosette of leaves. I think this will make a valuable species for extensive planting in dooryards in South Florida and will add a touch of color to replace the ordinary Aloe which has too pale flowers to make it really attractive. Mr F.C. Baker helped me get the seeds. See Photo this date. Taken at Point Decouverte above KENSCOFF. Haiti March 2. 1933.

3023

Amaryllis

Possibly escaped from cultivation. Growing in coffee plantation on hillside on road to Kenscoff Haiti fr

Port au Prince. All about 1500 ft. Pretty bright red or flowers. Might be useful for

breeding purposes.
9.2.33

Amaryllis.
Possibly escaped from cultivation Hillside road to Kenscoff. Haiti
9.2.33.

3024

Begonia sp.

Wild form which ~~had~~ was growing at 6000 ft. Situation near Kenscoff beside trail to F.C. Baker's house. Haiti. Very small scaly foliage and of

3.2.33

straggly growth but with attractive large white flowers touched with pink. There are

some native species in Haiti. I forgot to look this up in the herbarium at the School 3.2.33

Begonia

Trail to Baker's (F.C.) house above Kenscoff 6000 ft alt. Baker can get more specimens. Sure!

Haiti. 3.2.33.

Raphanus sativus

"Radis Marron" a wild radish. The small valleys at 6000 ft. elevation above Kenscoff. Haiti are full of a wild radish that

has flowers varying in color from light yellow to purple. It may be an escape

3.2.33

from cultivation but its leaves are remarkably thick & firm. Seem different from ordinary radish leaves

Raphanus sativus
6000 ft Elevation
Kenscoff Haiti
May be escape. 3.2.33

Pinus occidentalis, Sw.

Native pine of Haiti.
formerly covering densely
the hills of the island above
800 meters, now reduced
to small patches on the
Sud from 3.2.38
Tres at 6000 ft — altitude.

mountain tops. It
resembles P. caribbea
but has generally 5 leaves
to the fascicle instead of 2.
Rapid grower and now
being used to reforest
mountains with on small
scale. Called "Bois Chandelle"
or candle wood used for
light + kindling. Wood
hard + full of rosin. Substitute
to market.

Pinus occidentalis, Sw.
Native "Bois Chandelle" of
Haiti from 6000 ft. alt.
near Kanscoff. 3.2.38.

1933.

3027

Caesalpinia Sp?
A stunning yellow flowered spreading prickly bush that covers narrow strips of land in the mountains at 6000 feet near F. P. Baker's house above B Kensoff

See Photo of this date.

Haiti. Does not appear to have a running habit. but to form dense thickets. Very

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flowers with racemes of large bright yellow flowers in March + Feb. Should make good Ornamental

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There are 19 species of this genus in Haiti + I forgot to look it up in Herbarium in Port au Prince Coll. 3.3.33 See Herb Spec

3.3.33

3028

Phaseolus mungo

Dsp brown colored mung bean of attractive appearance bought on market at Port au Prince Dorg paw on woman

having this variety for sale. It may be a recently introduced variety. I saw no other varieties of mung on the market

either.

Haiti 3.3.33

D.F.

3029

Solanum tuberosum

a small elongated potato with deep set eyes giving the tubers the appearance of Stachys tuberosa tubers.

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somewhat. Some saw tubers like these in Chile or Peru & wonder if perhaps

there may not be a reversion from common forms that occurred in

the mountains of Haiti. for examination of Potato expert.

Port au Prince, Haiti

2.3.33

Dolichos lablab.

a very large seeded variety of this rather rare bean. Usually the seeds are white or nearly so. Used as a green bean by the Haitians evidently a

Pertau
Princ 3.3.33 ——

I saw women in the market shelling the large pods. I would like to see this tried out thoroughly in South Florida where the other varieties do well & are an excellent green bean for cooking purposes ——

3031

gant.

Lucuma domingensis

a variety with oblong or pear-shaped fruits with a different skin texture and slightly pointed end and a

3.3.33

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rather stickier fruit flesh than 3021. This may indicate a variability in the analogs of the

species similar to that found in L. nervosa. Should be kept distinct from 3021.

Fruit bought by Student in the School of Agriculture at Damien Haiti (DAMIEN) 3/3/33

3032

Dioscorea bulbifera L.?

Large aerial tubers of a yam which are boiled and said to be eaten by the Haitians. I see there are ten species of Dioscorea growing in Haiti and think that these tubers are likely to be of D. bulbifera but am not sure.

Mr Young has no doubt tried this on before but may like to try it again. I want a couple of tubers to grow at Coconut Grove.

Haiti.
3.3.1933. Port au Prince.

3037

Citrus maxima an attractive uniform pear shaped shaddock of good quality. Juicy and with rather dark colored aromatic fruit

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flesh that is not so dry as shaddock fruit flesh usually is.

Color rather deeper yellow than grape fruit. Said by Goodman in Hope Gardens Jamaica to

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be not a good stock there. For use of Ralph Robinson if he has not already seen it. Market Port au Prince Haiti 3.3.33